

Quakers Picked to Win Big College Track Meet

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Pennsylvania is picked to win the intercollegiate track and field championship games on Franklin Field, Philadelphia, this afternoon and to-morrow. Harvard is likely to be second and Cornell third. Michigan will come on from the West with a well balanced team, and the Badgers undoubtedly will make much trouble for the Eastern rivals, with just a bare possibility of slipping into second place.

Up to the last minute Cornell ruled the favorite, but the stock of the Ithacans took a tumble when W. H. Bennett, their star sprinter, pulled a tendon in a try-out. He will start, but whether he will be able to get a place is now a doubtful question. With Bennett out of it, Cornell seems to have little chance of duplicating the victory of 1911.

The team which totals an aggregate of 20 points, Cornell, Yale, Michigan and Pennsylvania finished in the order named. Yale is hopelessly out of it this year. Pennsylvania seems to be a trifle stronger than in 1911, while Michigan is apparently a little weaker. Harvard, which was seventh a year ago, looms up with probably the best balanced college team in the country and one that would win any dual meet.

In the last seven years Cornell has won the championship four times, Pennsylvania twice and Harvard once. Pennsylvania will have a distinct advantage in being at home. The Ithacans have a team of stars of the first magnitude, but their point sprinting specialties will be confined solely to the track. Unless one of Jack Meekley's pupils performs better than he has done thus far this season the Big Red team can hardly expect to score in more than five events at the most—the dashes, half-mile, one mile and two-mile runs.

Everything points to a grand scramble among the first four or five teams, with a possibility of not more than a dozen points separating the winner and the one in fifth place.

Five races were made in the Stadium, at Cambridge, last year. The track at Franklin Field is not as fast as the one at Soldiers' Field, where the men are protected against the wind, but still, under ordinary conditions, the Philadelphia cinder path is generally good enough for record breaking. John Paul Jones is in a class by himself, and there is no telling what he can do. If he goes out with the idea of bettering his marks in the half and the mile, it is likely he will be successful, especially in the latter race, but it is likely he will be satisfied to win, and reserve his energies for the Olympic trials.

Eliminating Jones, the events in which new records may be made are the two-mile race, where Tel Berna, his teammate and present record holder, is expected to lower his mark; the quarter-mile dash, in which Charley Reidpath seems in a fair way to equal, if not better, the record of 9.4-5, held jointly by the late J. B. Taylor, Pennsylvania's major runner, and R. Young, of Amherst; the shot put, in which both R. L. Beatty, of Columbia, and A. W. Kohler, of Michigan, will probably exceed 46 feet 7-15 inches; J. J. Horner's record, now standing on the books, and the pole vault record of 12 feet 8-8 inches, held by H. S. Babcock, of Columbia. Any one of a quartet of vaulters seems capable of clearing a greater height.

There would be no question of Pennsylvania's ability to win the championship if Marshall could be depended upon to run to his best form in the dashes. Recent reports from Philadelphia say he is going again in something like the style he showed last year and early this season. The Quakers will probably score in more events than any other team. Harvard, too, has ability to pick up a large number of seconds, thirds and fourths in the quarter-mile, half-mile, one mile and two-mile races, a fine hurdler, a good high jumper and a remarkable weight man. Cornell has three stars—Jones, Putnam and Berna—who are almost sure to score 15 points among them, but, with Bennett eliminated because of his injury, the Ithacans do not figure to run up a much larger total.

100-Yard Dash. Princeton has two sprinters in Thomas and Hayward, who are expected to clean up in the short dash. They have been doing dependable work this spring. Thomas was fourth in the championships a year ago, and should be able to better his mark. Hayward, who was second in the 100-yard dash in 1911, Marshall and Brown, of Pennsylvania, are both good men, the former the fastest in the field if he runs to form, and the only sure ten-second man. Jacobs, of Columbia, has been knocking at the door for two years, and this year it looks as if he might score. In a recent time trial he was clocked in 9.9-4.5. Robertson, of Syracuse, is another reliable man who must not be overlooked.

220-Yard Dash. Mercer, of Pennsylvania, is picked to win the turling dash. He is a strong runner who can stand a lot of work, and 220 yards seems to be the distance at which he is at his best. Against duplicated this performance in the Syracuse-Michigan meet. Bennett, of Cornell, raced away from Harvard in the dual meet with Cornell and won in 6:21-4. Even though his leg may be weak, he seems to have a chance of getting possibly one point. Adams, of Harvard, may prove a big surprise in this event. It is a rather ordinary field, with no one standing out as did Ralph Craig in 1910 and 1911 and Nat Cartmell in the three previous years.

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Pole Vault. Wagoner, of Yale, is preferred in the pole vault, although the field is an exceptional one, with a number of men who possibly break the record. Fogs, his teammate, has finished second to him in every race they have entered this season, and a close second at that. Barron, of Harvard, won in 9:49-25 in the Yale-Harvard meet and in 9:50-25 in the Harvard-Dartmouth, where his teammates furnished the only opposition. If Bennett, of Cornell, should start in the 220-yard dash and quarter, instead of the 100-yard dash, he would have the preference for a place besides out as did Ralph Craig in 1910 and 1911 and Nat Cartmell in the three previous years.

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Two-Mile Run. Cornell considers the mile run as good as won, and naturally so, for Jones is at the top of his form. Hanavan, of Michigan, trailed him home at Cambridge a year ago, when Jones made his world's record. Lawless, of Harvard, who finished fourth in that memorable race, may be able to better his position. Madiera, of Pennsylvania, has been improving rapidly and is expected to pick up a point. It is just possible Meekley will start Captain Putnam as well as Snyder and Jones in the mile, and if he does the Cornell leader will stick close enough to Jones's heels to last out the race and figure in the division of points.

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10-Mile Run. Wendell, of Wesleyan, and J. B. Craig, of Michigan, a brother of Ralph Craig, may fight it out for first place over the high sticks. Griffith, of Pennsylvania, and Hayes, of Rutgers, may account for the victors. Griffith is a fine all-around man and has a slight preference because of his consistent work and his ability to run a number of heats. Yale has a fair man in Larkin and Harvard's entries—Cummings and Jackson—must not be overlooked.

20-Yard Hurdle Race. Cummings seems to be the best of the hurdlers in the turling race. He was third a year ago, has improved since then, and does not meet the class that he did in 1911. Wendell, of Wesleyan, will press him all the way, and Craig, of Michigan, won't be far behind. Others to be considered are Hayes, of Rutgers; Champlain, of Syracuse; and Edwards, of Pennsylvania. Wendell ran the fastest race of the lot when he beat Gutterson, of Vermont, in the New England Intercollegiate, in 6:24-5.

Running High Jump. Although some of the other men have better marks to their credit this season, Marshall, of Dartmouth, is picked to win the running high jump, for he has been consistently good for six feet or better in every meet. Burdick, of Pennsylvania, on past performances, is the logical winner, but so far this year he has not jumped to form. Sargent, of Michigan, is bound to make trouble, and Moffatt, of Harvard, and Douglas and Dickinson, of Yale, are also likely to be calculating. Marshall, of Dartmouth, who tied for first place a year ago, is another of the six-footers. It would be no surprise if four or five men tied for first place this year, with a wide distribution of the points.

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